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For: "USE OF RECOMBINANT OR SYNTHETIC
GELATINE AS STABILISER IN VACCINES" :

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Commissioner for Patents

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ELECTION

Sir:

In response to the Office action dated April 28, 2008 applicant hereby elects the invention of Group I, which is described in the Office action as being drawn to a method for the preparation of a vaccine comprising recombinant or synthetic gelatin. Claims 1-10, 13, 16 and 18-20 are believed to relate to this method.

Applicant respectfully does not admit that any pending claim is anticipated by, or lacks a technical feature defining the contribution over the art provided by, international patent application publication No. WO 01/34801, or by any other document known to applicant.